

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An improved hand-held food processor for performing selected cutting operations upon a foodstuff is disclosed comprising an elongated housing, a lever arm extended substantially through the housing and pivotally coupled thereto under a spring bias, and a processing plate containing a cutting panel slidably disposed at the base of the housing and adapted to engage the pivoting lever arm at its lower tip to provide reciprocating cutting motion relative to the housing. The housing is formed having a narrow grip-like upper section for handling and an expanded bell-shaped lower section with an open bottom at the base of the housing. The lower section of the housing is further formed having a forward compartment intended to hold the foodstuff to be processed. A spring-driven press mechanism is slidably mounted within the forward compartment of the housing and releasably engaged for activation to push the foodstuff through the compartment and onto the reciprocating plate for delivery of processed foodstuff from the base of the housing. The processing plate is adapted to hold different types of cutting panels to process the foodstuff in various forms.